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The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" As far as we are concerned we are making the necessary arrangements. The question of water-supply will certainly be considered if the responsible authority comes forward with a scheme."

Proposed abolition of the B.S. Sc. class in Madras.

*1065 Q.—Khan Bahadur S. K. ABDUL RAZACK SAHIB Bahadur : Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Surgeon-General in replying to the deputation of unemployed B.S.Sc.'s that B.S.Sc. class in Madras will be abolished and that students should go to Calcutta for training and appear for the examination in Madras, was voicing his own opinion or the views of Government; and

(*b*) whether he will be pleased to place the Government Order thereon on the table of the House ?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) The hon. Member is referred to the Surgeon-General's letter No. R. 2489-Est., dated 15th October 1929, [a] which is laid on the table.

Appointment of B.S.Sc.'s as first-class Health officers.

*1066 Q.—Khan Bahadur S. K. ABDUL RAZACK SAHIB Bahadur : Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have decided that only B.S.Sc.'s will hereafter be appointed as first-class Health officers ;

(*b*) if so, what steps they have taken to safeguard the claims of those who before the date of this order underwent the B.S.Sc. course and only took the diploma and not the degree ; and

(*c*) whether Government have taken legal opinion about introducing new or additional qualifications, when candidates qualified under the old rules are still available ?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) & (*c*) None and there is no need for any.

Constitution of the District Prohibition Propaganda Board, South Arcot.

*1067 Q.—Mr. K. RAMACHANDRA PADAYACHI : Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) when the committee for the prohibition propaganda in South Arcot district was constituted ;

(*b*) which communities the Government recognize as addicted to drinking ;

(*c*) why the Padayachi community has not been represented in the committee ; and

(*d*) why two Brahmans were nominated to the committee ?

A.—(*a*) On 26th August 1929.

(*b*) & (*c*) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer to clauses (*a*) and (*c*) of question No. 963.

(*d*) Only one Brahman has been nominated. The District Health Officer is an ex-officio member.

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a Printed as Appendix IV on page 128 infra.